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Judith B. Robson

Wisconsin State Senator

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Honorable Rod Moen Chair, Senate Committee on Health, Utilities & Veterans & Military Affairs Room 8 South, State Capitol

Dear Senator Moen:

I request a public hearing on Clearinghouse Rule 00-114, relating to the operation of the Health Insurance Risk Sharing Plan (HIRSP). This rule updates and increases HIRSP premium rates by 12.4% for Plan 1 and 18.2% for Plan 2. Total HIRSP insurer assessments and provider payment rates are also adjusted.

This is the first rate revision for Plan 2 premiums since enactment of the new law governing the Plan 2 rate-setting procedure. I am interested in having the actuary describe the methodology that determines this rate increase. The committee should also be briefed on the surplus that is being generated from policyholder premiums and what steps are being considered to correct this apparent overcharge.

Your consideration of this request is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Judith B. Robson State Senator

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